

**KENTUCKY BOARD OF LICENSURE FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY
MINUTES**

December 17, 2015

A special meeting of the Kentucky Board of Licensure for Occupational Therapy was held at the Office of Occupations and Professions in Frankfort, KY on December 17, 2015.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Camille Skubik-Peplaski, Chair
Scott DeBurger
Kevin Priddy
Rhonda Tapp Edwards
Thomas Miller
Sheila Levy

MEMBERS ABSENT

Laura Strickland

OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS STAFF

Jennifer Hutcherson, Board Administrator
Courtney Cook, Fiscal Section

OTHERS

Michael Head, Office of the Attorney General
Stacy Grider, KOTA
Angela Taylor, Occupational Therapist
Nikki Anderson, Occupational Therapist

Ms. Camille Skubik-Peplaski, Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:06 pm.

Angela Taylor, Occupational Therapist, addressed the board and presented information regarding dry needling. The board thanked Ms. Taylor for her presentation and advised her that they would continue to gather information and further discuss dry needling in January.

Consent agenda - Minutes, Monthly Financial Report and Legal Fees

Minutes of the November 12, 2015 meeting, financial report for November 2015 and legal fees for October 2015 were presented for the Board's review. Mr. Miller made a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented, with changes to the minutes as recommended by Mr. Head. The motion, seconded by Mr. DeBurger, carried. Ms. Cook was available to answer questions regarding the financial report and provided board members with information on how to log into the employee self-service system to review pay stubs.

O&P Report

Ms. Hutcherson reviewed the O&P report from Mr. Slone and informed the board that Ms. Heather Combs is the acting Executive Director of O&P until further notice.

Board Attorney's Report

Mr. Head reviewed the board's exposure to liability and insurance coverage. Mr. Head advised the board that the statute does not permit the board to purchase insurance. Mr. Head further advised the board that he would help the board avoid liability, and that in most cases, as long as they are acting in good faith, they would have immunity. However, federal law does override state law in regards to antitrust. Ms. Levy made a motion to have Mr. Head write an opinion on board member's exposure to liability and how to avoid it. The motion, seconded by Mr. Miller, carried.

Pending Complaints

2014-02: Pending Final Order

2014-04: Pending Final Order

2014-06: Under Investigation. The board discussed a response from the respondent's attorney and Mr. Priddy made a motion that the board will retain jurisdiction over individuals, even if they are no longer licensed, for offenses that occur during the individual's licensure period. The motion was seconded by Ms. Levy, and it carried. As the case manager, Ms. Edwards abstained from the vote.

2015-01: Under Investigation

2015-02: Pending Response from Respondent

Old Business

The board reviewed suggested jurisprudence exam questions submitted by Ms. Strickland. Ms. Hutcherson will send the revised list out to the board members following the meeting, and the board will further discuss and narrow down these questions in January.

The board discussed dry needling. Ms. Skubik-Peplaski contacted AOTA and their official position is that they do not have a position. Ms. Skubik-Peplaski will contact the PT board, the Hand Therapy Association and the medical licensure board to get more information on their stance on dry needling. Mr. Head will review the attorney general opinion referenced by Ms. Taylor in her presentation.

Ms. Hutcherson reviewed the status of regular and audited renewals with the board. The board will review and discuss this again in January after the grace period has ended.

New Business

Ms. Edwards made a motion to appoint Mr. Priddy as chair of the board, Mr. DeBurger as vice-chair of the board, and herself as secretary of the board. The motion seconded by Ms. Levy, carried.

The board discussed the 2016 NBCOT State Regulatory Leadership Forum. Ms. Hutcherson will be attending. Mr. Priddy thinks he will be able to attend, but will confirm at a later date. Ms. Edwards made a motion to approve another board member attending the leadership forum in Mr. Priddy's place if he is unable to attend. The motion, seconded by Mr. Priddy, carried.

The board discussed an email regarding school system requirements. Mr. Head will draft a response to this email, which will be sent out by Ms. Hutcherson.

The board discussed an email regarding home health aides. The board advised that the only aides addressed in the regulation are OT aides and referred the licensee to 201 KAR 28:130 section 4.

The board reviewed an email from AOTA regarding the inactive status of the OTA program at Brown Mackie College – Northern Kentucky.

Applications Review

The following applications for licensure were reviewed and recommended for approval by the application committee. A motion was made by Mr. Priddy to approve the applications as reviewed. The motion, seconded by Ms. Edwards, carried.

- Kimberlee Collins - OT
- Eric Davidson - OT
- Christina Carnell - OT
- Caroline Pfaff - OT
- Gina Bellomy - OT
- Jessica Sexton - OTA
- Kaelin Gulla - OTA
- Julia Bryan - OTA
- Sophia Johnson - OTA
- Ashley Coburn - OTA
- Kara Burrow - OTA
- Christi Mckim - OT
- Akiesta Washington - OT
- Sarah Spears - OT
- Christa Olson - OT
- Magali Gravenhorst-Pappas - OT
- Brianna Groce - OTA
- Mathew Pennington - OT
- Brittany Roberts - OT

A motion was made by Mr. Priddy to accept the recommendation of the continuing education application review committee. The motion, seconded by Ms. Levy, carried.

A motion was made by Ms. Edwards to approve the DPAM applications as presented. The motion, seconded by Mr. DeBurger, carried.

- Chastity Branham
- Misty Burton
- Michael Davis
- Maura Hofherr
- Reesa Ann Marshall
- Moran, Kristina (approved pending)
- Jessica Perkins
- Lauren Roberts
- Emily Robinson
- Casey Smith
- Valary Sykes

Assignments for Next Meeting – January 14, 2015

- Mr. Head
 1. Review AG opinion on dry needling
 2. Write a response to the school system email for Ms. Hutcherson to send out
 3. Write opinion on board liability exposure
 4. Final order for complaint 2014-02
 5. Final order for complaint 2014-04
- Ms. Hutcherson
 1. Check on the fee for changing the JE questions
 2. Send out the proposed JE questions for 2016
 3. Update OT website to reflect new officers
- Ms. Levy
 1. Create Gmail email account for board business
- Ms. Edwards
 1. Send telehealth documents to Ms. Levy
- Ms. Skubik-Peplaski

1. Check with the PT board, Hand Therapy Association and Medical Licensure board for dry needling info
- All Board Members
 1. Review regulations to see where dry needling might fit in the regulations

Approval of Travel and Per Diem

A motion was made by Ms. Edwards to approve travel and per-diem for today's meeting. The motion, seconded by Ms. Levy, carried.

Adjournment

With no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned at 3:46 pm.

The next meeting of the Kentucky Board of Licensure for Occupational Therapy is scheduled to be held at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 14 at the Office of Occupations and Professions.